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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 6/21/2007, please reconsider and amend the above-identified patent applications as follows:

**In the claims**, as shown in the current listing of claims on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** on page 8 of this paper.